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ARCHIBALD CARMICHAEL:

At age, 27, Archibald Carmichael left Lismore, Arghleshire, Scotland with his wife Mary, age 26, and his daughter Katherine, age 7 and sailed from Scotland September 4, 1775 on the ship Jupiter of Larne, Samuel Brown, Master, for Wilmington, North Carolina. The name of Archibald Carmichael appears on a list of taxpayers of Cumberland County, North Carolina, in 1777, (N.C. Hist. Com.) as a landowner on Leiths Creek in Richmond (now Scotland) County, North Carolina, 1784, and as the head of a family in Richmond County in the records of the Census of 1790. The identification of the subject of this sketch with the individual mentioned in the above records is complete beyond doubt.

The name of Archibald Carmichael appears on a roster of North Carolina troops in the American Revolution in 1782 (N.C. State records vol. 16, pgs. 610 & 1036), and as having received payment for supplies furnished in driving cattle 1779 (name misspelled "Carmikle") (N.C. Revolutionary War Accounts, vol. XI, 1 pg. 28, folio 1). There is also a record of payment for clothing certificate in 1782 to Archibald Carmical. The writer has no information connecting the subject of this sketch with the individuals mentioned in the four last mentioned references. The name Carmical, appears in the last of these four, appears in the 1790 census of a family in Caswell Co., NC, is found in many of the states of the South and Southwest at present, and is understood to have originated due to family differences. The Carmicals are descended from the great Ulster Scottish Migration, 1700-1775, and comes from the same source as the Carcichaels, which is Lanarkshire, Scotland, and are referred to elsewhere in this record. There was another Archibald Carmichael on the same Immigrant ship with the subject of this sketch, member of another family group as follows: Evan age 40, Apine, Argyleshire Scotland, his wife, Margaret age 38, his son Archibald age 14, his son Allen age 12, his daughter Katherine age 3. There is no further information about this family or their descendants available.

As Lismore was a part of Appin, this family may have also come from Lismore, at any rate, they were all of the same family.

Archibald Carmichael acquired lands on Leiths Creek, in the vicinity of his 1784 holdings in Richmond (now Scotland) County, N.C., in 1790, 1793, 1795, & 1797. He aquired lands on the east side of Little Pee Dee River in Marion (now Dillon) Co., S.C. adjacent to lands of his sons in 1802. He appears as the head of a family in Richmond Co., NC 1800 & 1810; as the head of a family in Marion Co., SC in 1820; and a member of the family of his daughter, Katherine, widow of Duncan, 1830; in the census records for those years. His wife died between 1820 and 1830. It appears probable that he married twice. Katherine, who accompanied him to America in 1776 was born in 1768, and his sons Neil and Duncan were born in N.C. about 1776-1778. Also there are substantial reasons to believe that Dougald, known as "Commodore Dougald" who came to S.C. in 1794 and settled on the East side of Fee Dee Presbyterian Church, was his eldest son, left in Scotland with relatives and apprenticed to a shipbuilder in Glasgow and became a ships craftsman, a trade which he followed in S.C., where he built boats on the Little Pee Dee River. He is carried in this record as a separate immigrant as he came about 20 years after his father, and was the first of the Carmichael Highlanders to settle in Marion Co., S.C. For further information see his genealogical section under symbol "G".

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His brothers Neil and Duncan followed him to S.C. Neil acquired lands adjacent to him in 1794 (includes present site of Little Pee Dee Church) and they moved soon afterwards. Duncan and his wife, Mary (Monroe) acquired lands in the same vicinity 1794 and 1797, and moved there before 1800. Katherine, Archibald's only daughter, married her first cousin, Duncan who acquired lands on the East side of Little Pee Dee River in 1805 and 1810, adjacent to Katherine's brother Duncan, moved from Richmond Co., NC to Marion Co., S.C. about 1810. The homes of both these Duncans are still owned by their descendants. Neil married his first cousin, Christian, sister of Katherine's husband, Duncan.

After moving to Marion County about 1819, Archibald lived near Little Pee Dee Church, a short distance from his sons Dougald and Neil, and a few miles from his daughter Katherine and his son Duncan. After his wife's death between 1820 & 1830, he lived with his daughter Katherine, who was a widow after 1817. He died between 1830 & 1840, and he and his wife are buried in one of the two earliest Carmichael graveyards, about one-half mile NW of Little Pee Dee Church.

Archibald was a brother of Duncan, of Daniel, and of one or more of the other of the Immigrant Carmichael heads of families of the Scottish Highland group that came to North and South Carolina; and was a cousin of the others.

DANIEL CARMICHAEL:

Daniel Carmichael born ca. 1750 in Scotland. Married to Katherine Calhoun. Died ca. 1820-30 in South Carolina.

Katherine Calhoun born in Scotland. Died ca. 1820-30 in South Carolina.

Children: John C. b. ca. 1785 Sct., m. ca. 1816 to Margaret Morrison, died ca. 1857 Georgia. Dougald & Malcolm.

Daniel Carmichael came from the island of Lesmore, Argyleshire, Scotland, and settled in North Carolina, probably Richmond County about 1792, removed to Marion County, South Carolina about 1779, and settled on the south west side of the Little Pee Dee River at Carmichael's Bridge (named for him) about 2 miles north west of Fork, South Carolina, where he lived until his death, sometime between the censuses of 1820 and 1830. He and his wife, who died during this period also, are buried in what is possibly the first Carmichael graveyard in S.C., located near his home. He had three sons of record and one or more daughters of whom no record is available. He is said to be the brother of Archibald Carmichael, Duncan Carmichael, and one or more of the other Carmichael immigrants that arrived during the latter part of the 18th century, and while there are no records directly showing this fact, circumstances appear to confirm it.

DUNCAN CARMICHAEL:

The court records of Cumberland County, N.C. show a Duncan Carmichael as a member of a board of arbitration in 1778. Land records of Richmond Co., N.C. show a Duncan Carmichael as a landowner on Leiths Creek, 1784. A Duncan Carmichael appears on a roster of N.C. troops in the American Revolution, 1782. The only records, so far as known, of Scottish Highlander emigrants to N.C. are those kept by the British Customs beginning January 1774, and these ended when this emigration was suspended during the American Revolution. As Duncan Carmichael's does not appear in these records, it is evident that he arrived prior

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to Jan. 1774, probably on a ship sailing from Fort William, on the Firth of Lorne, Sept. 1, 1773. Records of this (Scots Magazine Oct. 1773) states that it took 425 Scottish Highlander emigrants to N.C. made up of several small clans in the vicinity of Fort William including the Appin Stewart Clan, of which the island of Lismore, the home of the Highlander branch of the Carmichael family was a part.

There are no records, so far as is known, by which the descendants of Duncan Carmichael may be positively identified, and tradition does not show a Duncan in North or South Carolina, so the last documentary record is as a landowner in Richmond Co., N.C. in 1784. It may be assumed that he died between 1784 and 1790, and that his family is included in the families of other heads of families in the census of 1790. It is a long accepted tradition that Duncan was brother of Archibald Carmichael, and was also brother or cousin of the other heads of families in Cumberland and Richmond Counties at that time. Duncan Carmichael born 1779, and his sister, Christian, born in N.C. 1780 appear to be the children of Duncan. They each married children of Archibald Carmichael who according to accepted tradition, were their first cousins. Duncan died about 1817, and the census records prior to 1850 do not show places of birth. His sister, Christian, however, died 1857, and her birthplace is shown as N.C. by the 1850 census records.

JOHN C. CARMICHAEL

Born ca 1775 in Scotland; son of Daniel Carmichael and Katherine Calhoun. Married ca 1816 to Margaret Morrison. died ca 1857 in Georgia. Arrived in America from Scotland ca 1792. Moved to Fork, SC ca 1787, then to Sumter Co., GA ca 1831.

Spouse-Margaret Morrison born ca 1787 in NC; died ca 1850 in GA.

Children-Nancy M. born ca 1818 SC married ca 1838 to Thomas Smith; died ca 1880 GA.

Norman born ca 1820 in SC; died in Mexican War.

Archibald M.

Malcolm born ca 1824 in SC; married in 1849 to Rebecca Watson (born ca 1828 in GA, resident of Coffee Co., AL); died in AL, killed in Civil War.

Hugh

Katherine born ca 1830 SC; married ca 1850 to J.W. Brock; died ca 1904 in AL.

Ref: "The Scottish Highlander Carmichaels of the Carolinas" by Major General Roderick L. Carmichael, U.S. Army, Retired. Republished in 1978 by the R.L. Bryan Co., of Columbia, S.C.